REMARKS

This Amendment is responsive to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2007 setting a three month shortened statutory period for response expiring on September 18, 2007. Claims 1, 6, and 16 have been amended. Claims 10, 19, and 20 have been canceled. Claims 1-9, 11-18, and 21-22 remain pending in the application. Prompt reconsideration is requested.

Restrictions

Applicants' provisionally elected Group I claims 1-18 and 21-22 for prosecution in this application in response to a telephonic Restriction Requirement. Applicants affirm this election, and have canceled withdrawn claims 19 and 20, drawn to a patentably distinct invention, but retain these claims in the application pending the filing of a suitable divisional application to prosecute these claims.

Specification

The examiner objects to the Title as not descriptive. Applicants set forth a new title above which is descriptive, and thus this objection should now be withdrawn.

Rejection under 35 USC 112

Claims 1-18 and 21-22 stand rejected as being indefinite. Claims 1, 6, and 16 have been specifically amended to obviate this rejection. It is respectfully submitted that amended claims 1, 6, and 16 are now patentably distinct such that this rejection should be withdrawn.

Rejection under 35 USC 103

Claims 1-9, 11-12, 15-18 and 21-22 stand rejected as obvious over Foster et al in view of Subramanian et al. Amended claim 1 now recites the limitations of dependent claim 10, which the Examiner indicated would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Since amended claim 1 is, in essence, claim 10 rewritten in independent form, it is respectfully submitted that Serial No. 10/712,208 PATENT

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claim 1 and all claims depending therefrom, are now allowable. Accordingly the rejection of claims 1-9, 11-18 and 21-22 should now be withdrawn.

It is respectfully submitted that all of the Examiner's objections have been successfully traversed and that the application is now in order for allowance. Accordingly, reconsideration of the application and allowance thereof is courteously solicited.

The Director is authorized to charge any additional fee(s) or any underpayment of fee(s), or to credit any overpayments to Deposit Account Number 50-2638. Please ensure that Attorney Docket Number 073358.031800 is referred to when charging any payments or credits for this case.

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